

THE SENATE  
THE TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE  
REGULAR SESSION OF 2015

COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

Senator Jill N. Tokuda, Chair  
Senator Ronald D. Kouchi, Vice Chair

NOTICE OF DECISION MAKING

DATE: Thursday, April 02, 2015  
TIME: 9:30 AM  
PLACE: Conference Room 211  
State Capitol  
415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

The following measures were previously heard in their respective standing committees:

<a href="#"><u>HB 482, HD2</u></a> <a href="#"><u>(SSCR1124)</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Status &amp; Testimony</u></a>	RELATING TO AGRICULTURE. Establishes a full-time temporary program manager position in DOA for the Pesticide Subsidy Program. (HB482 HD2)	AGL, WAM
<a href="#"><u>HB 501, HD1, SD1</u></a> <a href="#"><u>(SSCR1080)</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Status &amp; Testimony</u></a>	RELATING TO AGRICULTURE. Allows public utilities to establish certain discounted utility rates for water, electricity, and freight transport for agricultural activities, subject to PUC approval. Requires the PUC to define "qualified agricultural activities" and "bona fide agribusinesses". Takes effect 7/1/2050. (SD1)	AGL/CPN, WAM
<a href="#"><u>HB 573, SD1</u></a> <a href="#"><u>(SSCR1125)</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Status &amp; Testimony</u></a>	RELATING TO HAWAII GOOD AGRICULTURAL PRACTICES. Establishes the Hawaii good agricultural practices program to develop and support good agricultural practices for Hawaii farms growing agricultural food products. Takes effect 7/1/2112. (SD1)	AGL, WAM
<a href="#"><u>HB 823, HD1, SD1</u></a> <a href="#"><u>(SSCR1133)</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Status &amp; Testimony</u></a>	RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL THEFT. Establishes a two-year Agricultural Theft Pilot Project in the Department of Agriculture to focus on investigating and prosecuting agricultural theft or agricultural vandalism in the County of Hawaii. Appropriates funds as a grant-in-aid to the office of the prosecuting attorney, county of Hawaii. Takes effect 7/1/2050. (SD1)	AGL/JDL, WAM
<a href="#"><u>HB 871, HD1, SD1</u></a> <a href="#"><u>(SSCR1079)</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Status &amp; Testimony</u></a>	RELATING TO BIOSECURITY. Establishes the Hawaii biosecurity program as a function of the entire DOA. Requires DOA to establish or participate in private-public partnerships to enhance the biosecurity program and quarantine inspection process. Appropriates funds for specified projects. Takes effect 7/1/2050. (SD1)	AGL/ENE, WAM



<p><a href="#"><u>HB 1042, SD1</u></a>  <a href="#"><u>(SSCR1097)</u></a>  <a href="#"><u>Status &amp; Testimony</u></a></p>	<p>RELATING TO IMPORTANT AGRICULTURAL LANDS.  Appropriates funds for grants-in-aid to the counties for identifying and mapping important agricultural lands, preparing the final submission package to the land use commission, and assistance with exploring county incentives for important agricultural lands. Takes effect 7/1/2050. (SD1)</p>	<p>AGL/PSM, WAM</p>
<p><a href="#"><u>HB 440, HD1</u></a>  <a href="#"><u>(SSCR1026)</u></a>  <a href="#"><u>Status &amp; Testimony</u></a></p>	<p>RELATING TO LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES.  Appropriates funds to the department of land and natural resources for land and natural resource projects related to watershed management plans; equipment for fire, natural disaster, and emergency response; and forest and outdoor recreation improvement. (HB440 HD1)</p>	<p>WTL, WAM</p>
<p><a href="#"><u>HB 503, HD1</u></a>  <a href="#"><u>(SSCR1063)</u></a>  <a href="#"><u>Status &amp; Testimony</u></a></p>	<p>RELATING TO DROUGHT MITIGATION.  Appropriates funds for county drought mitigation projects and measures. (HB503 HD1)</p>	<p>WTL/AGL, WAM</p>
<p><a href="#"><u>HB 611, HD2, SD1</u></a>  <a href="#"><u>(SSCR1022)</u></a>  <a href="#"><u>Status &amp; Testimony</u></a></p>	<p>RELATING TO THE DIGITIZATION OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION RECORDS.  Appropriates funds for the digitization of historic preservation records and positions in the State Historic Preservation Division. Takes effect on 7/1/2050. (SD1)</p>	<p>WTL, WAM</p>
<p><a href="#"><u>HB 1478, HD1, SD1</u></a>  <a href="#"><u>(SSCR1098)</u></a>  <a href="#"><u>Status &amp; Testimony</u></a></p>	<p>RELATING TO THE HAWAIIAN ISLANDS HUMPBACK WHALE NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY.  Establishes the state program to co-manage the federally established Hawaiian Islands humpback whale national marine sanctuary. Establishes a sanctuary co-manager position. Appropriates funds. (SD1)</p>	<p>WTL/ENE, WAM</p>
<p><a href="#"><u>HB 621, HD1</u></a>  <a href="#"><u>(SSCR1083)</u></a>  <a href="#"><u>Status &amp; Testimony</u></a></p>	<p>RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION.  Gradually prohibits the manufacture and sale of personal care products containing synthetic plastic microbeads to protect marine life. (HB621 HD1)</p>	<p>ENE/CPN, WAM</p>
<p><a href="#"><u>HB 1140, HD1, SD1</u></a>  <a href="#"><u>(SSCR1013)</u></a>  <a href="#"><u>Status &amp; Testimony</u></a></p>	<p>RELATING TO CESSPOOLS.  Provides a temporary income tax credit for the cost of upgrading or converting a cesspool to a septic system or an aerobic treatment unit system, or connecting to a sewer system. (SD1)</p>	<p>ENE, WAM</p>

**Decision making meeting only, no oral testimony will be accepted.**

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**FOR AMENDED NOTICES:** Measures that have been deleted are stricken through and measures that have been added are underscored. If a measure is both underscored and stricken through, that measure has been deleted from the agenda.

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Senator Jill N. Tokuda  
Chair

